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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Fax no.: 571-273-8300	Application No. :	09/940,349
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	Group Art Unit :	2627
	Examiner :	ORTIZ CRIADO, JORGE L.
	Attorney Docket No. :	JCLA7911-R2

This is a **Request for Continued Examination (RCE)** under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114.

a. [] Previously submitted

- () Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
 () Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

b. [X] Enclosed

- (X) Preliminary Amendment in FIVE (5) pages.
 () Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. () Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
 b. () Associate Power of Attorney.

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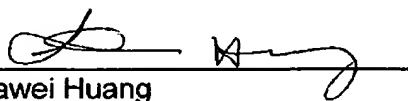
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Basic Filing Fee						\$ 790	\$ 790
Total Claims	3	MINUS	20	= 0	x \$ 50	= \$ 0	
Independent Claims	1	MINUS	3	= 0	x \$ 200	= \$ 0	
[] month(s) extension of time is hereby requested.				Time Extension Fee		= \$ 0	
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- a. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- b. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee in the amount of \$ 790 as calculated above and any additional fee required in connection with filing of this application, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0710 (Order No. JCLA7911-R2).
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17).

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